

Key accomplishments for Fiscal Year 1998 included:

- Off-site shipment of 6,933 cubic meters of low-level and low-level mixed waste to authorized disposal facilities in Utah and Nevada
- Off-site shipment of a large percentage of plutonium pits (weapons parts) to the Pantex Plant in Texas
- Off-site shipment of a percentage of enriched uranium weapons parts to the Oak Ridge Site
- Removal of more than 30 tons of depleted uranium waste from the Trench 1 cleanup site
- Construction of a repackaging module for transuranic waste at Building 440
- Processing of more than 780 liters of dangerous high-level plutonium solutions
- Draining of liquids from the last major plutonium tank in Building 371 and the start of draining of liquids from piping and systems in buildings 371 and 771
- Stabilization or packaging of more than 5,000 kilograms of plutonium residues
- Removal of 40 contaminated gloveboxes (stainless steel equipment used to shield plutonium workers from radiation exposure) from Building 779
- Removal of packaged residues and elimination of a key fire hazard from Building 771 and the characterization of plutonium held up in the pipes, ducts and equipment in that building
- Installation of improvements to the site security system
- Measurement of plutonium content in some 4,000 items and measured plutonium holdup in 45 areas with the potential to have larger amounts
- Award of more than \$130 million in subcontracts to small businesses, including more than \$47 million to small disadvantaged businesses
- Meeting of more than 90 percent of activity milestones while keeping the project on schedule and within budget requirement.
- Off-site shipment of an additional 2,516 cubic meters of low-level and low-level mixed waste
- Off-site shipment of additional enriched uranium weapons parts
- Removal of 43 additional gloveboxes from Building 779
- Elimination of dangerous chlorine gas from the site
- Sampling and/or analysis of nearly 600 residue containers
- Packaging for off-site shipment of more than 3,200 kilograms of dry residues
- Partial stripout of equipment from two rooms in Building 886